

Claims

I claim:

1. An apparatus for practicing drumming comprising a tensioned first elastic cord suspended between and coupled to a first pair of arms, the first pair of arms coupled to one of a base and a stand.
2. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first pair of arms and a base portion spanning between the first pair of arms comprise a generally U-shaped bracket.
3. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first pair of arms are coupled to the base and the base comprises a drumming practice pad.
4. The apparatus of claim 2, wherein the first pair of arms extend substantially perpendicularly from the base portion.
5. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the suspended elastic cord comprises at least one multi-filament elastomeric cord at least partially covered by a fabric sleeve.
6. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the tension of the elastic cord is user adjustable.
8. The apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a tensioning mechanism adapted to selectively adjust a level of tension in the first elastic cord.
9. The apparatus of claim 1, wherein the first pair of arms are spaced from each other a distance of about 10-12 inches.
10. An apparatus of claim 1, further comprising a second pair of arms and a second tensioned elastic cord, the tensioned second elastic cord being suspended from the second pair of arms, the second pair of arms being attached to one of the base and the stand.

11. A drumming practice apparatus comprising:

a bracket including at least two arms spaced apart from each other and a base portion, the base portion joining the two arms together; and

a tensioned cord, the tensioned cord extending between the at least two arms and being attached to each of the at least two arms;

wherein at least one of (i) an arm of the at least two arms and (ii) the tensioned cord is adapted to deform elastically and resiliently when the tensioned cord is struck with a drumstick.

12. The drumming practice apparatus of claim 11, wherein the bracket comprises a unitary U-shaped bracket.

13. The drumming apparatus of claim 11, wherein the tensioned cord comprises an elastic cord that is adapted to stretch when impacted by a drumstick.

14. A combination comprising a plurality of drumming practice apparatus of claim 11, wherein each drumming apparatus is coupled to a stand and is arranged in a configuration to approximate the configuration of a drumset.

15. The drumming apparatus of claim 11, further comprising an electron pickup.

16. The drumming apparatus of claim 11, wherein the base portion further includes one or both of a plurality of bores and slots extending therethrough, The bores and slots being adapted to receive a fastener to secure the drumming apparatus to a surface.

17. A method comprising:

providing a tensioned cord; and

repeatedly striking the cord with one or more drumsticks.

18. The method of claim 17, wherein at least one of the one or more drumsticks comprises aluminum.

19. The method of claim 17, wherein the tensioned cord is at least one of: (i) an elastic cord; and (ii) operatively coupled to a biasing spring member.

20. The method of claim 17, wherein said repeatedly striking the cord with one or more drumsticks further practicing the rudiments of drumming.